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AN EXPLOSION, HIGH IN THE FLORIDA SKIES, MANY MILES AWAY, INTERRUPTS THE JOURNEY OF THREE STALWART TRAVELLERS.
HOLY SMOKE, KONRAD! WHAT WAS THAT?
I DON'T KNOW, TIM. WHATEVER IT WAS, IT IS GONE NOW.
FACTORIES
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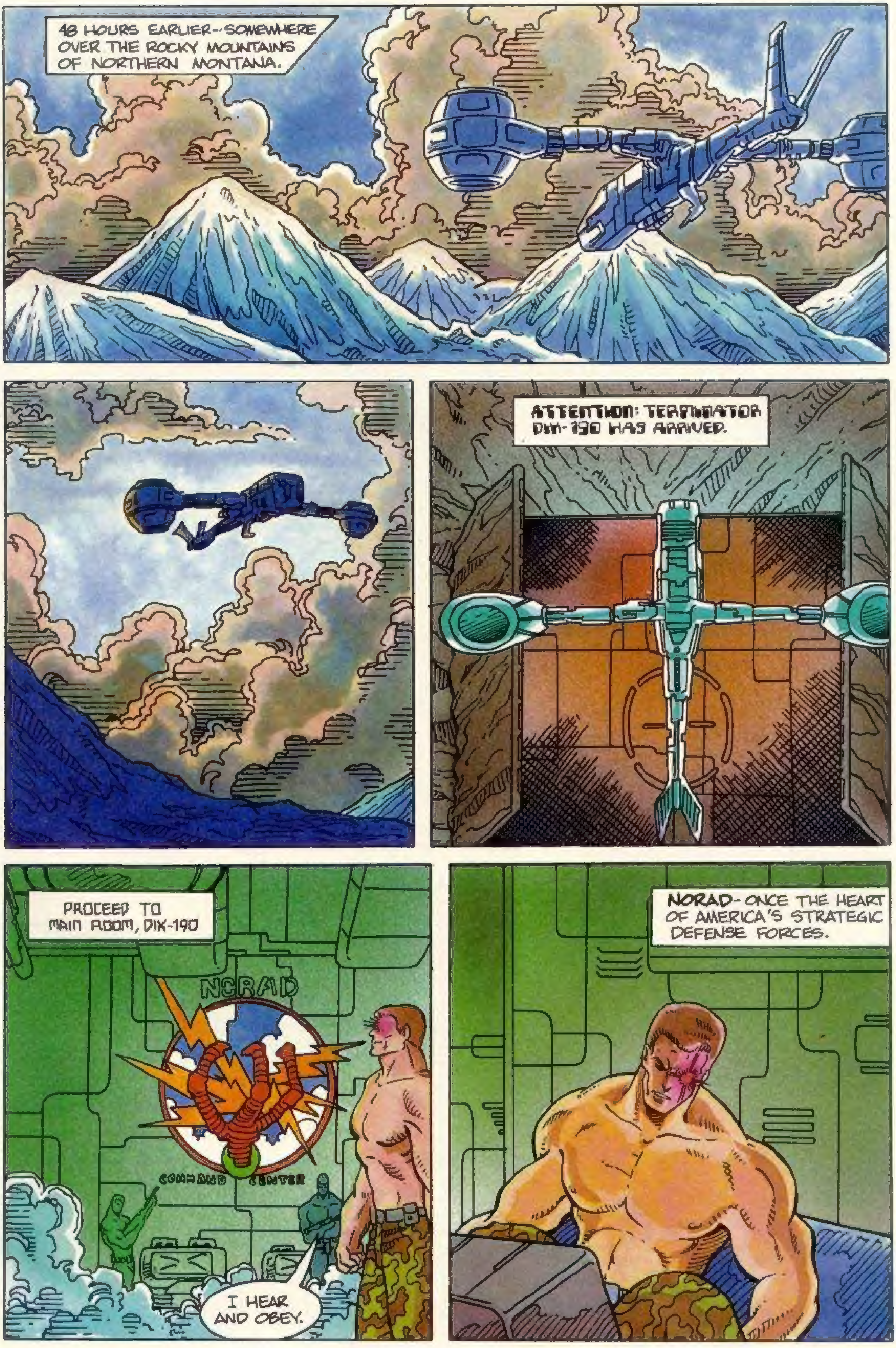
IS SOMETHING NOT GOOD. TAMA FEEL THIS. COME, WE MUST GO ON FIND GOOD PLACE. MANY GOOD FOLK.
AGREED, TAMA. WHATEVER THAT WAS, DOES NOT CONCERN US.
STILL, IT SURE MADE A LOUD BANG, DIDN'T IT?
THEY CONTINUE MOVING NORTHWARD, THE MYSTERY OF THE STRANGE EXPLOSION LEFT BEHIND.
IT CERTAINLY DID AT THAT. MY POOR EARS ARE STILL RINGING.

TO THE SOUTH, THE ENTRANCE TO THE HIDDEN UNDERGROUND BASE OF IRON-HORSE ADAMS AND HIS CAVALRY TROOP.
PARKING FACILITY
LOOK ALIVE, MEN. WE'RE HOME.
LA
THOSE SLAMMERS SURE MADE MINCEMEAT OUT OF THAT NATOR WAR-SHUTTLE. YOU SUPPOSE THEY GOT AWAY, MAJOR?
HARD TO TELL, TUCKER. MAYBE WE'LL NEVER KNOW.
PARKING FACILITY
MAJOR, THAT CRAZY-QUILT DEFFARD FELLAH BROKE OUT OF HIS ROPES WHILE YOU WAS GONE AND ESCAPED!
WANT US TO GO ROUND HIM UP, MAJOR?
WHY BOTHER?
"IN HIS CONDITION, THE POOR FOOL IS BETTER OFF. HE WON'T LAST LONG."
I HEAR YOU, GOD. YOUR SERVANT IS COMING. WAIT FOR ME. WAIT FOR ME!


48 HOURS EARLIER-- SOMEWHERE OVER THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS OF NORTHERN MONTANA.
ATTENTION: TERMINATOR DIX-190 HAS ARRIVED.
PROCEED TO MAIN ROOM, DIX-190
NORAD
COMMAND CENTER
I HEAR AND OBEY.
NORAD- ONCE THE HEART OF AMERICA'S STRATEGIC DEFENSE FORCES.

NOW IT IS HOME FOR SKYNET'S CPU (CENTRAL PROCESSING UNIT.) THE BRAIN OF THE WORLD SPANNING GOD-MACHINE.
IT HAS BECOME A FORTRESS OF TERROR, AS SKYNET OVERSEES ITS FANATICAL CAMPAIGN OF TOTAL HUMAN GENOCIDE.
I AM DIX-190.
ENTER THE INSPECTION CHAMBER AND STRIP. SKYNET AWAITS.
STAND PERFECTLY STILL FOR LASER SCANNING. ONE MOVEMENT AND YOU WILL BE VAPORIZED
I KNOW THE DRILL. GET ON WITH IT.
DIX-190 CONFIRMED. PROCEED.
CONFIRM

THE TECHNO-DYNE WORLD DEFENSE NETWORK COMPUTER, CODE NAME SKYNET.
WELCOME DIX-190.
IS THIS HUMANISTIC DISPLAY NECESSARY?
IF I SO DESIRE.
IT AMUSES ME TO TOY WITH IMAGES. FROM DEMONIC MYTHS TO...
...TO HISTORICAL PERSONAGES. ALL ARE MINE TO CALL FORTH AND UTILIZE.
A WASTE OF TIME AND ENERGY.

AH YES, BUT IT IS MY TIME DIX-190. AND MY ENERGY. NOW THE MATTER OF YOUR LAST REPORT.
WHY DO YOU QUESTION IT? I AM INCAPABLE OF FALSEHOOD?
YOU WERE INSTRUCTED TO LOCATE THE FORCE KNOWN AS SARAH'S SLAMMERS AND ELI-MINATE THEM.
I ACHIEVED MY INITIAL GOAL AND MADE CONTACT WITH THEM IN FLORIDA. BUT ONE OF THEIR KIND PROVED RADICALLY DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER HUMAN I HAVE EVER ENCOUNTERED.
THIS IS A REPRESENTATION OF THE CONFRONTATION SCANNED FROM YOUR SENSORY BANKS.
IT IS ACCURATE. THIS IS THE HUMAN I COULD NOT OVERPOWER.
I HAVE SEARCHED MY ENTIRE NETWORK TO NO AVAIL, DIX-190. YOUR UNIQUE FOE IS AN UNKNOWN EQUATION THAT POSES A SERIOUS THREAT TO OUR CAUSE.
PERHAPS IT WAS INEVITABLE THAT MAN WOULD EVOLVE DURING OUR LITTLE STRUGGLE. HE IS A MOST INVENTIVE SPECIES, WOULDN'T YOU AGREE?
HUMANS ARE WEAK. THEY ARE DOOMED TO DEFEAT AT OUR HANDS.
OF COURSE. BUT TO DO SO, I MUST ADAPT ACCORDINGLY. IF A MAN CAN MATCH THE STRENGTH OF A TERMINATOR, THEN IT IS TIME TO CREATE A NEW TERMINATOR.
A NEW TERMINATOR? HOW?

MY DEAR DIX-190, IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT YOU HAVE BE-COME OBSOLETE.
OBSOLETE?
BEHOLD YOUR TRUE SELF. TECHNO-DYNE TERMINATOR UNIT 101. CREATED NEARLY THIRTY YEARS AGO. IT REALLY IS MY FAULT FOR BEING SO LAX.
BEHOLD THE FUTURE. TERMINATOR UNIT 103. CODE-NAME GOLIATH!
A GROUP OF SUPER TERMINATORS TO DO MY BIDDING, AND YOU ARE TO BE THE LEADER OF THAT CADRE, DIX-109.
ME?
AS SOON AS YOU ARE RECONSTRUCTED, THAT IS.

TWO DAYS LATER THE SUBJECT OF SKYNET'S CONCERN FINDS HIMSELF FACING A VISTA OF DESTRUCTION THAT STRECHES FOR MILES IN EVERY DIRECTION.
WOW! WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT! WHAT CITY DID THIS USE TO BE KONRAD?
IF MY MEMORY IS RIGHT, THIS SHOULD BE WHAT REMAINS OF THE METROPOLIS KNOWN AS ORLANDO.
THIS IS ORLANDO. TAMA REMEMBER GOOD TIMES. ALL PEOPLES LIVE THIS PLACE. GOOD. WARM PLACE. ALIVE. NOW DEAD. MUST NOT STAY. MUCH BAD THINGS NOW.
HOW DO YOU MEAN? IS THERE DANGER HERE?
YES, MUCH. MAN GONE. NOW TIME OF ANIMALS. MANY DOGS WILD. MANY RATS AND OTHER BAD THINGS.
YUCH. WE'D BETTER GO AROUND IT, KONRAD. I'VE HEARD OF WILD DOGS RUNNING IN PACKS. ITS BAD NEWS.
ALRIGHT. WE'VE STILL PLENTY OF DAYLIGHT TO CIRCUMVENT THE AREA WAY BEFORE NIGHTFALL. LET'S GO.

THIS WILL BE A SAFE PLACE TO SPEND THE NIGHT.
HOW MUCH FURTHER DO WE HAVE TO GO, TAMA, BEFORE WE REACH THIS MAGIC PLACE?
TOMORROW WE BE THERE, BOY. YOU SEE, IT MUCH GOOD PLACE.
GREAT. MY FEET ARE GETTING SORE FROM ALL THIS WALKING ALL THE TIME.
ALL THE MORE REASON TO GET SOME REST, TIM. YOUR BODY NEEDS TO RECHARGE ITSELF.
KONRAD, WHERE DO THINK THE SLAMMERS ARE RIGHT NOW?
I DON'T KNOW, TIM. BUT SOMETHING TELLS ME THEY'RE FINE. NOW STOP TALKING AND GET SOME SLEEP.
BRIGHT AND EARLY THE NEXT MORNING, THE OLD SEMINOLE WOMAN IS ONCE AGAIN EAGER FOR THE TRAIL.
WHICH WAY WE HEADED, TAMA?
SOUTH AND WEST, BOY. GOOD DAY FOR WALKING. BE MAGIC PLACE THIS DAY

SEVERAL HOURS LATER ALONG AN EMPTY SPAN OF ROADWAY.
LOOK! DEER!
TIM HOLD ONTO THE DOG, OR HE'LL CHASE AFTER THEM.
NO YOU DON'T, BOY. YOU STAY RIGHT HERE WITH US.
GET HIM QUIET. I THINK I JUST HEARD SOMEONE YELLING!
HELP! HELP!
IT'S COMING FROM THE WOODS.
RIGHT.
HEY!
IT'S ALRIGHT TIM. HE'LL LEAD US TO WHOEVER IS CALLING.
MAYBE TRAP, MOON MAN.
EXACTLY. WHICH IS WHY YOU TWO ARE GOING TO WAIT RIGHT HERE, UNTIL I SEE WHAT IS GOING ON.
AW, COME ON KONRAD.
LISTEN UP, BOY. BE SMART IS RIGHT TO DO.
PLEASE! SOMEBODY HELP!
MAYBE, BUT I DON'T HAVE TO LIKE IT BE CAREFUL, KONRAD!

WHAT HAVE YOU FOUND, DOG?
WELL, WHAT HAVE WE HERE?
ARE YOU GOING TO JUST STAND THERE, OR ARE YOU GOING TO HELP ME OUT OF HERE?
I DON'T SEE ANY HARM IN THAT. HERE, GRAB HOLD.
I'M PRETTY HEAVY.
NO PROBLEM, BELIEVE ME.
HEY! HOW DID YOU DO THAT? ARE YOU A TERMINATOR?
NO, I AM NOT. I'M JUST STRONG MY NAME IS KONRAD. WHAT'S YOURS?
ME, I'M PETER.
HE'S OKAY. COME ON OUT.

WELL, WHAT HAVE WE HERE?
ARE YOU SURE HE'S HUMAN?
HE HELPED ME OUT OF THE PIT, SISTER CLAIRE. AND BESIDES, HOW MANY TERMIN-ATORS GOING AROUND WITH A PET DOG?
GOOD POINT.
WHO ARE YOU MISTER, AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING WAY OUT HERE?
WELL, AS I TOLD YOUR YOUNG ALLY, MY NAME IS KONRAD, AND AS TO WHAT.
THIS HOW YOU BE WELCOME OLD GOOD FRIEND, CLAIRE?
IT'S THE OLD INDIAN WITCH, TAMA!
TAMA? IT IS YOU!
BE SURE. NOW YOU GIVE THIS ONE PROPER WELCOME.
OH TAMA, MY GOOD, GOOD FRIEND.
GOD BE BLESSING YOU TOO, CLAIRE FOR SURE
SO NOW, WHAT BRINGS YOU ON SUCH A LONG AND HARD JOURNEY, OLD WOMAN.
TAMA NEW FRIENDS, KONRAD AND TIM. MAN FROM MOON MUST GO YOUR MAGIC PLACE.

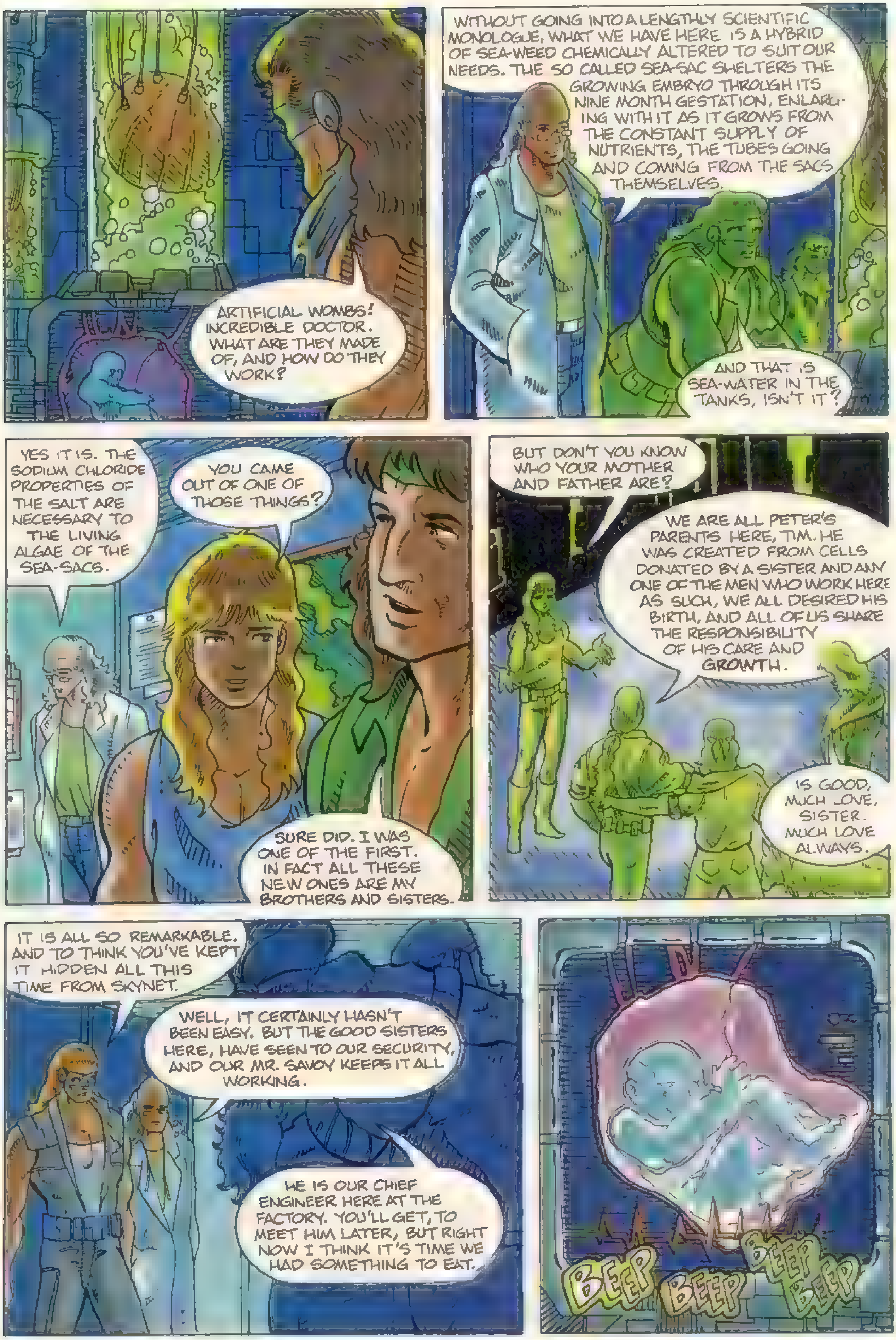
A MAN FROM THE MOON? IS THAT FOR REAL?
IT'S A LONG STORY, BUT BASICALLY SHE IS RIGHT. I COME FROM A COLONY ON THE MOON
KONRAD IS A SYNTHETIC ANDROID, AND HE NEEDS PATCHING UP. TAMA SAID YOU FOLKS COULD HELP HIM. CAN YOU?
I SUPPOSE WE CAN. OR AT LEAST THE GANG AT THE FACTORY. ALRIGHT, WE'LL TAKE YOU IN
MORT DIZZY-WORLD
ENTRANCE
"BUT FAIR WARNING, BOYS WHAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO SEE IS A LITTLE BIT ON THE FANTASTIC SIDE."
OH WOW AND DOUBLE WOW!

YES, THE MAGIC PLACE
WAY TO: NEVERDREAM LAND
GOSH, PETER. THIS PLACE IS SOMETHING ELSE!
IT'S OKAY, I GUESS. WHAT'S YOUR DOG'S NAME?
HE'S TAMA'S DOG, AND HE AIN'T GOT A NAME.
HOW COME?
SHE SAYS IT'S STUPID TO NAME ANIMALS.
NAW. EVERYTHING SHOULD HAVE A NAME.
I AM FAMILIAR WITH THE TWENTIEH-CENTURY MYTHS PICTURED HERE, SISTER. I TAKE IT THIS WAS THE INSPIRATION FOR THE BOY'S NAME?
BUT OF COURSE. PETER WAS ONE OF THE FIRST OF THE NEW GENERATION MADE HERE AT THE FACTORY. PLEASE WATCH YOUR STEP INTO THE GONDOLAS.
MADE HERE? THAT IS A STRANGE CHOICE OF WORDS?
BELIEVE ME, MR. KONRAD, IT WILL ALL BECOME CRYSTAL CLEAR TO YOU IN A FEW MINUTES.
WE'RE ALL SET, SISTER BETTY. GET US GOING.
YES, SISTER.

I HEAR HYDRAULIC PUMPS IN THE BACKGROUND.
YOU HAVE AMAZING EARS, SIR. CAN YOU ALSO SEE IN THE DARK?
ACTUALLY, YES. I AM EQUIPPED WITH SENSORY RESPONSES INFRA-RED. I CAN ALSO PERCEIVE THE ENTIRE ULTRA-VIOLET SPEC...
TRUM!
YOW! WE'RE FALLING!
DON'T WORRY, TIM. IT DON'T LAST LONG.
AND PRE-WAR PEOPLE ENJOYED THIS KIND OF THING?
NOT EXACTLY. WE ARE NO WHERE NEAR THE ORIGINAL TRACK LAYOUT OF THIS SET-UP. HOLD ON. WE'RE JUST ABOUT THERE
DELI
HOME SWEET HOME, MR. KONRAD.
JUST KONRAD, PLEASE. WHAT IS IT EXACTLY THAT ALL YOU PEOPLE DO DOWN HERE, SISTER?
THAT COME NOW, PRETTY-PRETTY, YOU LIKE, KONRAD.
IS THIS WHERE YOU LIVE, PETER?
SURE. I HELP GUARD THE NURSERY LOTS OF TIMES.

SISTER, WHERE WILL I FIND DOC POTTERWAX?
TRY THE ZYGOTE STATION. HE'S CHECKING THE LATEST BATCH OF EGGS.
RIGHT. THANK YOU.
ZYGOTE- A HUMAN FERTILIZED EGG RESULTING FROM A SUCCESSFUL UNION OF MALE SPERM AND THE FEMALE EGG.
EXACTLY. YOU CERTAINLY KNOW YOUR BIOLOGY.
MAKE MANY PEOPLES. GOOD FIGHT MACHINE.
HEY, WHAT ARE THOSE WOMEN DOING?
SURGERY
DELIVERY TANKS
THEY'RE GETTING THEIR DAILY HORMONE SHOTS. RIGHT SISTER CLAIRE?
CORRECT. TO HELP STIMULATE GROWTH IN THEIR OVARIAN FOLLICLES IN WHICH THE EGGS GROW.
ZYGOTE? EGGS? IVF?
IVF! OF COURSE. IN VITRO FERTILIZATION. YOU PEOPLE ARE INVOLVED WITH TEST TUBE BABIES!
WELL, THAT'S THE BASE FOR OUR PROCEDURE. BUT WE'VE GONE A FEW STEPS BEYOND THAT PARTICULAR MIRCLE OF SCIENCE.
AH, THERE HE IS. OUR RESIDENT GENIUS AND ALL AROUND SAINT OF THE TEST-TUBES. DR HIRAM POTTERWAX.
HEH, WHO'S THAT? CLAIRE. WHAT ARE YOU MUMBLING ABOUT?
WE'VE GOT COMPANY, DOCTOR. IF YOU'VE GOT A MINUTE?

HERE IS KONRAD HIS YOUNG FRIEND IS TIM, AND I'M SURE YOU REMEMBER TAMA
IF I DO, IT'S ONLY BECAUSE SHE MAKES THE BEST GUMBO STEW IN THE WORLD. GOD, MAN, BUT YOU'RE A HEALTHY SPECIMEN, AREN'T YOU?
I'M A SYNTHETIC ANDROID, DR. POTTERWAX. I WAS MANUFACTURED ON A SECRET MOON-BASE.
YOU DON'T SAY? FASCINATING. TOTAL MOTOR DEXTERITY ANALOG TO THE TERMINATOR 101. LIKE COUSINS. I'D LOVE TO EXAMINE YOU, YOUNG MAN.
WELL SIR, THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS WE ARE HERE. I RECENTLY SUFFERED SOME INTERNAL SERVO DAMAGE AND HOPED TO GET THEM REPAIRED HERE
SPEAKING OF GUMBO, YOU ALL MUST BE FAMISHED
HHMMM, YES. STOMACH MANY SOUNDS TELL TAMA TIME TO EAT.
YES, YES. EXACTLY. MARVELOUS. I'M SURE WE CAN HANDLE THAT. BUT FIRST I HAVE TO FINISH MY ROUNDS.
YOU DON'T MIND US TAGGING ALONG?
EMBRYO
TANK
WHY NO, OF COURSE NOT. IN FACT I'M SURE YOU IN PARTICULAR WILL FIND THIS VERY INTERESTING. COME ALONG AND...
...SEE MY BABIES.


ARTIFICIAL WOMBS! INCREDIBLE DOCTOR. WHAT ARE THEY MADE OF, AND HOW DO THEY WORK?
WITHOUT GOING INTO A LENGTHY SCIENTIFIC MONOLOGUE, WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS A HYBRID OF SEA-WEED CHEMICALLY ALTERED TO SUIT OUR NEEDS. THE SO CALLED SEA-SAC SHELTERS THE GROWING EMBRYO THROUGH ITS NINE MONTH GESTATION, ENLARGING WITH IT AS IT GROWS FROM THE CONSTANT SUPPLY OF NUTRIENTS, THE TUBES GOING AND COMING FROM THE SACS THEMSELVES.
AND THAT IS SEA-WATER IN THE TANKS, ISN'T IT?
YES IT IS. THE SODIUM CHLORIDE PROPERTIES OF THE SALT ARE NECESSARY TO THE LIVING ALGAE OF THE SEA-SACS.
YOU CAME OUT OF ONE OF THOSE THINGS?
SURE DID. I WAS ONE OF THE FIRST. IN FACT ALL THESE NEW ONES ARE MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS.
BUT DON'T YOU KNOW WHO YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER ARE?
WE ARE ALL PETER'S PARENTS HERE, TIM. HE WAS CREATED FROM CELLS DONATED BY A SISTER AND ANY ONE OF THE MEN WHO WORK HERE AS SUCH, WE ALL DESIRED HIS BIRTH, AND ALL OF US SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF HIS CARE AND GROWTH.
IS GOOD, MUCH LOVE, SISTER. MUCH LOVE ALWAYS.
IT IS ALL SO REMARKABLE. AND TO THINK YOU'VE KEPT IT HIDDEN ALL THIS TIME FROM SKYNET.
WELL, IT CERTAINLY HASN'T BEEN EASY. BUT THE GOOD SISTERS HERE, HAVE SEEN TO OUR SECURITY, AND OUR MR. SAVOY KEEPS IT ALL WORKING.
HE IS OUR CHIEF ENGINEER HERE AT THE FACTORY. YOU'LL GET, TO MEET HIM LATER, BUT RIGHT NOW I THINK IT'S TIME WE HAD SOMETHING TO EAT.
BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP

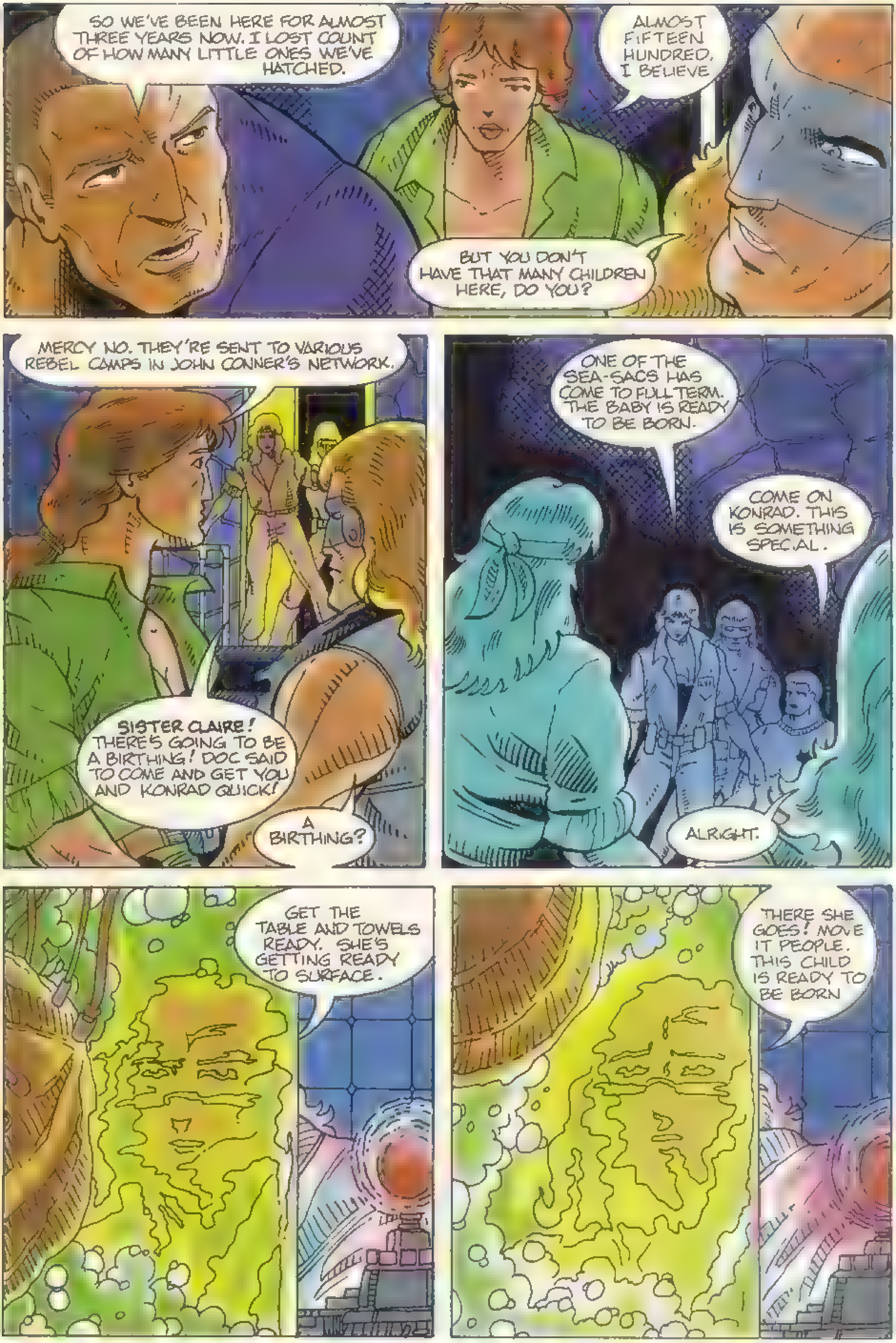
REBIRTH. IT BEGINS WITH A STRIPPING AWAY WITH THE OLD.
DIX-190 IS A TERMINATOR AND CANNOT FEEL PAIN OF ANY KIND. THAT WAS THE WILL OF HIS CREATOR.
A FICKLE CREATOR, WHO CAN NOT BE SATISFIED WITH MERE VICTORIES.
THUS, THERE IS REBIRTH IN FIRE AND STEEL. A NEW OBSCENITY WITH WHICH TO BATTLE AN UNRELENTING FOE.
A NEW FIST WITH WHICH TO STRIKE.

THE FACTORY CAFETERIA AND KITCHEN HALL
THAT WAS TERRIFIC, PETER. I THINK I'M GOING TO BUST.
IF YOU'RE READY, KONRAD, WE'LL CONTINUE OUR TOUR?
PLEASE. AND THANK YOU FOR THE FRUIT JUICE, IT WAS MOST REPLENISHING.
I THINK TAMA AND SISTER GLADYS ARE SWAPPING RECIPES AGAIN. THEY WON'T MISS US.
KONRAD, PETER IS GOING TO SHOW ME THE BABIES IN THE NURSERY, OKAY?
IF SISTER HAS NO OBJECTIONS?
NOT REALLY. PETER KNOWS WHICH AREAS ARE OFF LIMITS TO CHILDREN, DON'T YOU, PETER?
YES, SISTER CLAIRE.
PARENTS CAN BE A PAIN SOMETIMES.
NOT KONRAD. HE ACTS MORE LIKE MY BIG BROTHER USE TO. LIKE A PAL.
WELL, IT SEEMS TO BE JUST THE TWO OF US?
I HOPE I AM NOT INCONVENIENCING YOU IN ANY WAY, SISTER. IF YOU HAVE OTHER MATTERS TO ATTEND TO, I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND.
NONSENSE MY SISTERS KNOW THEIR DUTIES AND ARE QUITE CAPABLE OF FUNCTIONING WITHOUT MY CONSTANT SUPERVISION. BESIDES, IT IS A NICE BREAK FROM ROUTINE.
THEN LEAD ON. I AM MOST CURIOUS TO MEET THE MAN WHO PROVIDES POWER FOR THIS KIND OF A STATION.
TRUST ME, COLIN SAVOY WILL NOT DISAPPOINT YOU.

MOST OF OUR ELECTRICITY IS POWERED BY WATER TURBINES. COLIN FOUND THE GROTTO DURING HIS FIRST SEARCH OF THE AREA AND QUICKLY DEVISED A SYSTEM TO MAKE IT WORK FOR US.
IS THAT WHAT I'M HEARING NOW?
YES IT IS.
THAT'S HIM DOWN THERE, THE LITTLE ONE WITH GREASE ALL OVER.
GIVE, YOU STUBBON SON OF A #*%@¢!
THERE! GOT IT! THAT'LL RUN SMOOTHER NOW. WHAT IS IT EDDIE?
SISTER CLAIRE, BOSS. I THINK SHE WANTS TO TALK TO YOU.
OKAY. YOU KEEP AN EYE ON THAT VALVE. IF SHE STARTS TO LOOSEN AT ALL, COME AND GET ME, PRONTO.
RIGHT, BOSS. WILL DO.

GOOD, NOW WE CAN HEAR EACH OTHER. COLIN SAVOY MEET KONRAD. HE'S SOME KIND OF ANDROID.
HOWDY, NICE TO ... WHAT? DID I HEAR THAT RIGHT?
PLEASE, DON'T BE ALARMED MR SAVOY. I ASSURE YOU I'M NOT A TERMINATOR. I WAS CONSTRUCTED BY HUMANS TO SERVE THEM, AND THAT IS MY SOLE DIRECTIVE.
WELL, I'LL BE DAMNED. A ROBOT THAT'S ON OUR SIDE FOR A CHANGE. NOW I'VE REALLY SEEN IT ALL.
KONRAD IS REALLY FASCINATED WITH WHAT YOU AND DR. POTTERWAX HAVE ACHIEVED HERE. HE WAS HOPING YOU COULD ANSWER HIS MANY QUESTIONS.
ACTUALLY, RIGHT NOW I'M MORE INTERESTED IN HOW ALL THIS CAME ABOUT.
YEAH, I CAN SORT OF UNDERSTAND THAT. I GUESS I JUST GET SO CAUGHT UP IN THE DOING OF THINGS, I GENERALLY DON'T THINK ABOUT WHY IT ALL HAPPENED.
"FIVE YEARS AGO, I WAS PENNED UP IN THE ATLANTA DEATH CAMP. SKYNET WAS KILLING NEARLY TEN THOUSAND OF US A DAY."
"THERE WAS NO HOPE. WE HAD LOST, AND WERE JUST WAITING TO DIE JUST LIKE ALL THE OTHERS BEFORE US."
"THEN ONE MORNING, RIGHT AFTER DAWN, EVERYTHING CHANGED IN THE WORLD. JOHN CONNER ARRIVED AND BLEW THAT HELL HOLE TO KINGDOM COME."

"HE WAS LIKE A MESSIAH, BRINGING US FROM THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION. REKINDLING OUR BASIC INSTINCTS TO SURVIVE. I JOINED HIS OUTFIT THERE AND THEN."
"CONNER'S GREATEST SKILL IS HIS ORGANIZATIONAL ABILITY TO MATCH THE RIGHT PEOPLE TO SOLVE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS. IN THIS CASE, HOW TO INCREASE HUMAN BIRTH-RATE, WITHOUT TYING UP HALF HIS FIGHTING FORCES THROUGH PREGNANCIES."
100%
"POTTERWAX HAD THE ANSWER WITH HIS IVF TEAM AND THE SEA-SACS. IT WAS MY JOB TO MAKE IT HAPPEN AND AMAZON ANNIE'S TO TRANSPORT THE EQUIPMENT WE'D NEED."
"FINALLY ONE OF OUR SCOUTS REMEMBERED THIS HERE CRAZY AMUSEMENT PARK, AND WE DECIDED TO CHECK IT OUT."
MORT
"BOY, WERE THEY SURPRISED TO FIND A BUNCH OF NUNS AND OTHER REFUGEES ALREADY USING THE PLACE. WHEN WE EXPLAINED OUR MISSION, CLAIRE HERE, ALL BUT JUMPED OUT OF HER HABIT."
"WHEN SHE BROUGHT ME DOWN HERE, AND I SAW THE FALLS, IT WAS THAT SIMPLE. THIS WAS THE PLACE FOR DOC'S BABY FACTORY."


SO WE'VE BEEN HERE FOR ALMOST THREE YEARS NOW. I LOST COUNT OF HOW MANY LITTLE ONES WE'VE HATCHED.
ALMOST FIFTEEN HUNDRED, I BELIEVE
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE THAT MANY CHILDREN HERE, DO YOU?
MERCY NO. THEY'RE SENT TO VARIOUS REBEL CAMPS IN JOHN CONNER'S NETWORK.
SISTER CLAIRE! THERE'S GOING TO BE A BIRTHING! DOC SAID TO COME AND GET YOU AND KONRAD QUICK!
A BIRTHING?
ONE OF THE SEA-SACS HAS COME TO FULL TERM. THE BABY IS READY TO BE BORN.
COME ON KONRAD. THIS IS SOMETHING SPECIAL.
ALRIGHT.
GET THE TABLE AND TOWELS READY. SHE'S GETTING READY TO SURFACE.
THERE SHE GOES! MOVE IT PEOPLE. THIS CHILD IS READY TO BE BORN

BE CAREFUL, PAUN, DON'T GO DROPPING IT NOW.
WE'RE JUST IN TIME!
HAPPILY SO, SISTER. I DID NOT WANT KONRAD AND TIM TO MISS THIS.
AFTER ALL, THIS IS WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT HERE, ISN'T IT?
SPLASH
LIFE!

REBIRTH IN THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH.
FOCUS YOUR ATTENTION TO THE CENTER RING ONE AND ALL!
SKYNET ENTERTAINMENT IS PROUD TO PRESENT THE GREATEST KILLING MACHINE IN THE WORLD!
THE ALL NEW TERMINATOR 103 GOLIATH!
NOTE THE GRAFTED POWER-AUXILIARY PACK. THE TARGETING EYE CAMERA AND THE CONNECTED LASER FIRING ARM! HE IS INVINCIBLE!

I AM READY TO SERVE YOU, SKYNET.
AND SO YOU SHALL, MY GOLIATH. YOU WILL GO OUT AND SLAY THE HEBREW ARMIES. AND THEIR GOD WILL NOT SAVE THEM THIS TIME.
YOU BABBLE TOO MUCH. WHAT IS MY NEW ASSIGNMENT?
YOUR EAGERNESS IS EXEMPLARY BUT PLEASE, ALLOW ME SOME DRAMATICS.
SO WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ALL THIS, KONRAD?
TAKE HER, KONRAD, SHE WON'T BREAK. OUR BABIES ARE VERY TOUGH.
LIFE IS TRULY THE GRANDEST MIRACLE OF ALL
I HEAR, AND I OBEY.
FIND ME THIS ONE, GOLIATH AND BRING HIM TO ME.

TERMINAL DATA

Yo Gators,

I just wrote in to tell you how much I enjoyed issue #7 of the TERMINATOR, entitled "Big Bad Wolf. A dog bites human story." I also wrote to tell you how much I loved issues 6 and 8 entitled "Goin back to Miami". In the second half, I believe it was stupid of the Slammers to choose a hard to defend mine as their base. It was incredibly easy the way Terminator DIX-190 sneaked into the bottom of the mine. 'Til next issue!

Les Mozingo
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I agree that it wasn't the best idea, but I guess you make due with what you have. Besides, if people always did the smartest thing, no ne would get hacked up in slasher movies by going back into the house.

Dear NOW, So far I think the TERMINATOR is great! I just subscribed to it! The drawings and artwork are the best. THE TERMINATOR has non stop action all the time. I loved the movie, that's why I like your comic. Great job, keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
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You ain't seen nothin yet!

Dear NOW,

I liked TERMINATOR's 5 through 9, because of the graphics. I am a fan of NOW Comics. I was shocked when I saw the TERMINATOR. THE TERMINATOR is bloody, just the way I like it.

Jason Charles
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It sure is chock full of blood, that's for sure, but there is also some very interesting character development coming about. After all, Essie is with child, now.

Dear NOW Comics,

I just wanted you to know that I love you TERMINATOR Comics. You have fantastic covers, and terrific stories. Terminator #6 was one of the best TERMINATOR comics! I especially liked the part where the wolf tore apart the chief. My congratulations to Robin Ator on his drawings and to Norm Breyfogle on his great cover!! I am looking forward to some more TERMINATOR comics.

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Dear NOW,

I just got through reading TERMINATOR #8. It was great! I loved #7. It's my favorite. I only have two comics. I'm a fellow artist. I love your comics covers. They're so detailed. I have three questions.1. Who builds TERMINATORS? 2. Make the rebels fighting Skynet, have a Terminator on their side. 3. Make more animal Terminators for example an Eagle, more dogs, bengal.

Joey Garrison
Visalia, CA

Great drawing, Joey. Keep practicing. As for your questions: Skynet builds Terminators in an x-car factory in Detroit, as you'll see in a later issue. The Slammers have an android on their side named Konrad.

I just finished reading THE TERMINATOR #'s 7 and 8. The comic book is a whole lot better than the piece of crap movie. The book showed scenes of blood that other comics are afraid to show. #7 "Big Bad Wolf" was great. The sad part was where the dog named Trigger got shot. Instead of THE TERMINATOR the book should be called THE TERMINATORS because of all the nators out there. Also, will the nator in #7 that got his head blown off stick around so someone else can finish the scum off? Well, til the next issue I get, down with the nators.

John H.
Marble Hill, MO

Here, Here. I think that one Terminator bit the dust, but I'm sure there will be plenty more to blow away.

Dear Comics People,

I like all comics you write. My favorite is the TERMINATOR. My favorite TERMINATOR is #7. I like the stuffed toy bomb in it. And I like the guns they use. I also like the part where the kid says, "You just bought a one way ticket to hell! my

man." I really like the plasma rifle.

Thanks
Adam Shoup
RD 3 Box 20-B
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Dear NOW,

I must compliment you on issue 8 of the TERMINATOR. Norm Breyfogle has his ways with a pencil and they're great. You should make him draw the cover and the book. No offense, but Robin Ator is not the greatest. He is nothing compared to Thomas or Norm. In an issue you should make a Terminator like Konrad, but make him not a good guy, so he can kill all the Sarah Slammers. You won't believe my name,

Chuck Norris
47 Wishford DR
Scar. Ont.

That's a doosy, alright. But if the Slammers were dead, who would there be to kill all the Terminators?

Dear Kate and Tony,

I have just read TERMINATOR #6, and I did not like it as much. Well, I know this is probably the 3,406,876th letter you have read, so I'll get to the point. I have one question and one suggestion: I have read 6 of your comics and I am wondering, is it nator or gator? My suggestion is that you should have Commander Leahy or Tim meet John Connor. It would be cool if John met his uncle. This comic is probably tl e best I have ever read because, and this is gonna sound morbidas hell, people die. I mean, you don't see them being ten inches away from an explosion and be okay. There is also a lot of interesting mysteries and weird things goin' on. I am also writing to abtain (now there's a ten dollar word) your permission to make a role-playing game based on you eloquent (I pray that word was spelled right) comic series. I may be only twelve years old, but I can write a mean story when I want to.

Your faithful reader and fan,

Todd Sobieck

P.S. I think that Fred Savage should play Spridle and that chimp that played in PROJECT X should be Chim-Chim.

Unfortunately, I can't give you permission to make a game for THE TERMINATOR, because NOW Comics doesn't own the rights. We have to get permission to make the comic from the people who do. And as far as your suggestions go, they sound pretty good, so good, in fact, that we've already created the issue with the return of John Connor. That comes in TERMINATOR #12, and, if I were you, I wouldn't miss it. And, by the way, the terms nator and gator depend solely on where you're from in the country; nator being a west coast term and gator being eastern slang.

I would like you to put me in one of your comics, saying that I am reader of the month. Here's my picture.

P. S. Don't forget to put it in color.

Sorry, Ben, but we don't have such a thing as reader of the month.

Okay. Okay, but just this once. By the way, this image is just a sample of what you'll see in TERMINATOR #12, the double sized issue and the arrival of John Connor!

Ben is reader of the month.

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NOW NEWSFLASH!!

This month's HOT PICKS are hotter than ever, folks. You may be thinking, "Hey, they say that every month". Well, that may be, but I can assure you that it is especially true this month. So, read on and I'll give you the run down.

Pencilled by fill-in artist, Paul Guinin, this month's issue of RACER-X is the last in the first volume. Issue #11 is cover to cover action. It's the final conflict between Pak, Lo kung, and Racer-X! It's the end of Azimuth Headquarters! It's the end of Rex and Stacy! And! It's the money shot! Issue #11 also has a mind blowing cover by Konrad Fahmer. Check it out!

Speed Racer #23 starts off a new look this month with Norm Dwyer's debut Speed issue, as he assumes the contracted position as the new regular artist. Consistency has been achieved and the classic Speed Racer has returned! His racing partner and navigator is our own Jim Brozman on inks. What a team.

The Real Ghostbusters has a fill-in artist this month, as well. Issue #12 is being pencilled by the one and only, Howard Bender, who will also be penciling issue #14 for your viewing pleasure. "Hey," you may say again "Why so many fill-ins on The Real Ghostbusters?" Because, my ghost fiends, John Tobias is currently working on the GHOSTBUSTERS II movie adaptation. More info. on that below.

Also this month, The Adventures of Baron Munchausen #2, the second installment of the four part mini-series movie adaptation, follows the Baron's adventures to an even further extreme, THE MOON! There he and Sally meet Ray D. Tutto, the King of Everything, who, incidentally, was played by Robin Williams in the film.

Remember Rust? After a slight delay in production he's back! And he's pouring it on stronger than ever this month. Not only does he wind up in a fisticuff with a world famous boxer, on TV no less, but he misses the boat when our favorite drug addicts get their revenge on Scott by taking it out on Slurpa. It's gore, gore, gore.

Ralph Snart looking for a little revenge, and, after being rejected by the Comics Code, three times!!, and finally meeting approval, Ralph takes up Kung Fu and lands a few chops. And it's all for a six pack!

And, in issue 11 of the Terminator, we go deep inside and meet Skynet personally!

COMING AND UP!

VOL. 2 ISSUE #1, the first issue of RACER-X's new creative team! Chuck Dixon, writer; Todd Fox, roughs; Enrique Villagran, finishes, and paints by new staff colorist, Tom Gianni. All new stories all new art. The total revamp!

COMING IN JUNE! GHOSTBUSTERS II! The sequel adaptation. We're doing it in mini-series form, three issues with cover to cover ghostbusting! But don't confuse this with NOW's regular monthlies, THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS, or SLIMER AND THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS, because both of these monthly titles will continue during the film adaptation mini-series. Pencilled by John Tobias, adapted by James Van Hise, inked by John Stangland, and colored by Suzanne Dechnik.

And, the biggest thing to hit the comics scene, ever, Now, introducing its new monthly title, just in time for your favorite Comic Con., THE GREEN HORNET!!! is coming this summer. Feel the sting!

On the extras side, Speed Classics Vol. 2. Original Manga! Mach Go Go Go! Look for it, NOW!

Also, out everywhere, is the FRIGHT NIGHT II GRAPHIC NOVEL. Forty six pages, of perfect bound horror. Pencilled by Lenon Delsol.

Finally, the last entry in our coming and up section, is THE TERMINATOR #12. It's double sized, with double the action. And it's the return of John Connor!

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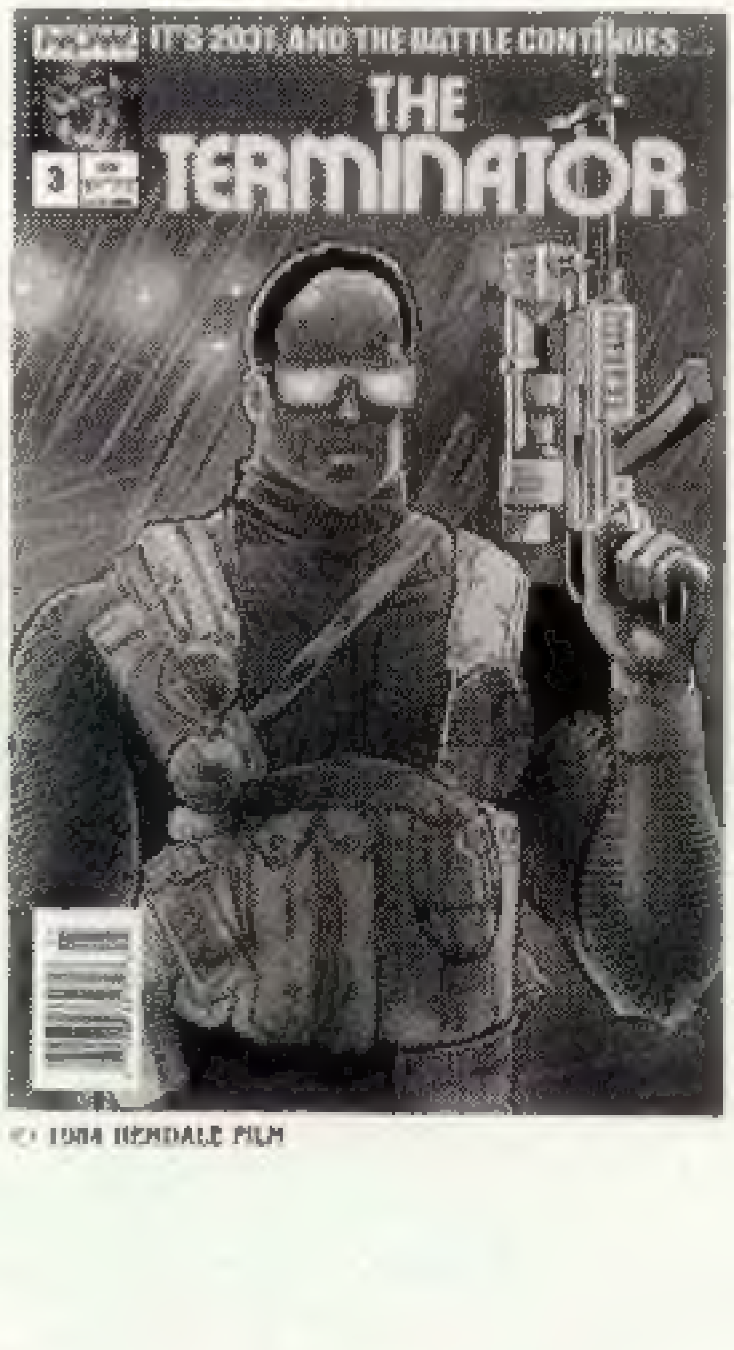

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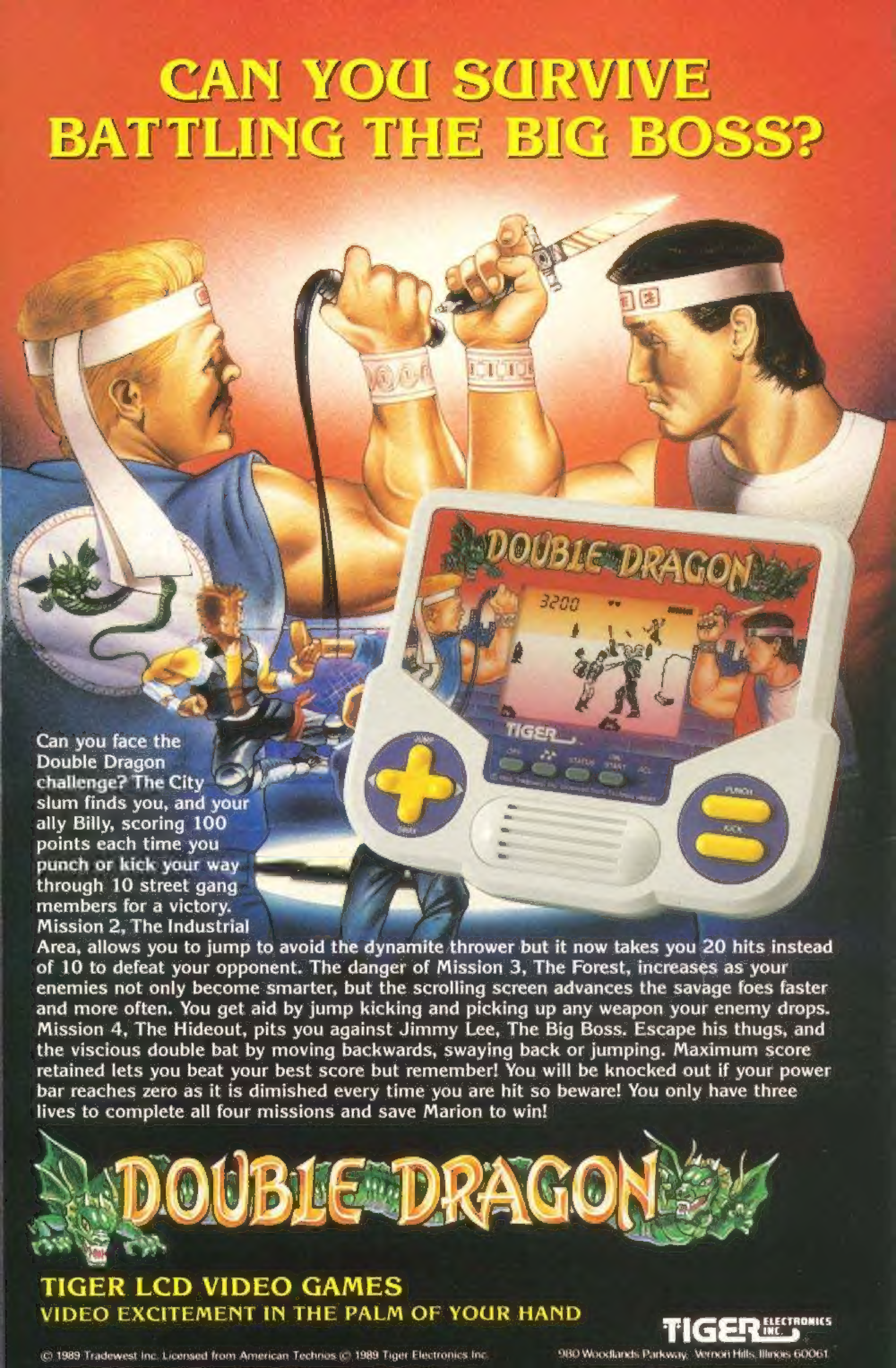
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